



New Directions

NASA's Airspace Operations and Safety Program

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Three mega-drivers have emerged that are shaping the future of aviation



Traditional measures of global demand for mobility—economic development, urbanization—are growing rapidly



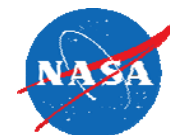
Severe energy and climate issues create enormous affordability and sustainability challenges



Revolutions in automation, information and communication technologies enable opportunity for safety critical autonomous systems



NASA Aeronautics Research Six Strategic Thrusts



Safe, Efficient Growth in Global Operations

- Enable full NextGen and develop technologies to substantially reduce aircraft safety risks



Innovation in Commercial Supersonic Aircraft

- Achieve a low-boom standard



Ultra-Efficient Commercial Vehicles

- Pioneer technologies for big leaps in efficiency and environmental performance



Transition to Low-Carbon Propulsion

- Characterize drop-in alternative fuels and pioneer low-carbon propulsion technology



Real-Time System-Wide Safety Assurance

- Develop an integrated prototype of a real-time safety monitoring and assurance system



Assured Autonomy for Aviation Transformation

- Develop high impact aviation autonomy applications

What is the Airspace Operations and Safety Program?

This program integrates the Airspace Systems Program and Aviation System-Safety work.

Mission Program

Airspace Operations and Safety Program

Develops and explores fundamental concepts, algorithms, and technologies to increase throughput and efficiency of the National Airspace System safely.

Provides knowledge, concepts, and methods to the aviation community to manage increasing complexity in the design and operation of vehicles and the air transportation system.

Continues Airspace Systems Program research, and the aircraft state awareness research and system wide safety research that was previously conducted within the Aviation Safety Program.

Projects

- Airspace Technology Demonstrations
- SMART NAS - Testbed for Safe Trajectory-Based Operations
- Safe Autonomous System Operations

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